

**LEGISLATIVE DIGEST
OF THE
RUTHERFORD COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Thursday, March 13, 2014

- A.** Mr. Chairman, Ernest Burgess, called the regular session of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 13, 2014, in the Courtroom of the Rutherford County Courthouse in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.
- B.** Commissioner Doug Shafer led the invocation.
- C.** Commissioner Chantho Sourinho led the pledge to our flag.
- D.** Twenty (20) Commissioners of the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners were present for the opening of the Legislative Meeting.
- E.** The February 13, 2014, Legislative Meeting Minutes were adopted.
- F.** A Resolution of Sympathy for Helen Blankenship was adopted.
- G.** Resolutions of Recognition:
 - 1. A Resolution of Recognition for Sean Kennedy, Riverdale Wrestling State Champion, was adopted.
 - 2. A Resolution of Recognition for the Rutherford County School Board was adopted.
 - 3. Brandon and Katherine Whitt, Winners of the Young Farmers and Ranchers Achievement Award, were honored with the adoption of a Resolution of Recognition.
 - 4. A Resolution of Recognition was adopted for American Red Cross Month.

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Donald Todd read from prepared text wherein he urges support of state legislation to halt city governments from forcing annexation of suburban property owners.

Phil Griffin urged the County Commission to accept the 2013 SAFER Fire Grant.

Steve Spence urged the County Commission to approve funding for Phase I of the Eagleville School expansion.

I. ELECTIONS & CONFIRMATIONS

- 1. The Notary applicants were approved.
- 2. Four (4) vacancies on the Equalization Board were announced.
- 3. A vacancy on the School Board (Commission Districts 4-6-7) to fill the unexpired term of Helen Blankenship was announced.

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS – 6:30 P.M.

- 1. Rezoning Request 14-A003, submitted by Lynne Davis, for property located at 3295, 3307, 3371 and 3389 Franklin Road, was approved.
- 2. Rezoning Request 14-A004, submitted by Kevin Lee, for property located at 5110 Florence Road, was approved.
- 3. Rezoning Request 14-A005, submitted by Planning Staff, for various properties (305 acres) along Spanntown Road and New Castle Road, was approved.

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. None Reported

L. REPORTS BY STANDING COMMITTEES

1. PURCHASING COMMITTEE REPORT

A. No Report

2. BUDGET, FINANCE & INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

- A. General Fund Budget Amendments were approved.
- B. The 2013 SAFER Fire Grant and a related amendment were approved.
- C. Funding for Phase 1 of the Eagleville School expansion was approved.
- D. A resolution in support of renaming State Route 1 the 'Gold Star Families Memorial Highway' was approved.
- E. The Grant Contract with Tennessee Department of Human Services for Child Support Services was amended.
- F. A report on the Debt Service Cash Flow – Three Star Program – was accepted.

3. HEALTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

A. No Report

4. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- A. An agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services to Develop the Construction Plan for the Judicial Building was approved.

5. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- A. The Concept and Implementation of the Yellow Dot Program was approved.

6. PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE

- A. A resolution for the School Board to endorse the concept of recycling in the school system was approved.
- B. A resolution to approve the submission of a Litter Grant for county roads and authorize the acceptance of the grant if awarded was approved.

7. STEERING, LEGISLATIVE & GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

A. No Report

M. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Robert Peay announced the Kittrell Volunteer Fire Department will hold a Ham Breakfast Saturday, March 15. The breakfast will be open from 6 to 10 A.M.

Commissioner Steve Sandlin asked Mayor Burgess for a report on the status of ground testing of the Daily News Journal property. Mayor Burgess responded the first phase, the taking of core samples, has been completed and that a report is forthcoming.

Commissioner Matthew Young urged the Mayor and County Commission to consider merging the two existing county 911 Call Centers. The Emergency Management Service and Sheriff's Department dispatches should be combined, he believes, because callers run the risk of their calls being "dropped" in misdirected calls. Commissioner Young also believes the budget can be tightened as a result of combining the two centers and the new dispatch consoles will be better utilized.

Finance Director Lisa Nolen introduced Deputy Finance Director Mark Tucker. Mr. Tucker will be sitting in place of Ms. Nolen at the April Commission meeting. She also added that Commissioner Joyce Ealy will be giving the Commissioners copies of budget items they need to be aware of prior to next month's meeting.

There being no further business, Mr. Chairman, Ernest Burgess, adjourned the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners Legislative Meeting. Time of adjournment was 8:03 p.m.

Lisa Duke Crowell, Rutherford County Clerk

Rick Spence, Legislative Secretary

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